

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 63

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 108

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 63—Relative to United States Korean War Veterans Day.

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This bill would recognize June 25, 2013, and every June 25th thereafter as United States Korean War Veterans Day.

WHEREAS, The Korean War was initiated by the North Korean People's Army on June 25, 1950, at 4:30 a.m., when it crossed the 38th Parallel and invaded the Republic of Korea with 135,000 soldiers; and

WHEREAS, Harry S. Truman, President of the United States of America, ordered the United States Army's 24th Infantry Division to be deployed to South Korea to repulse the invaders; and

WHEREAS, The officers and enlisted personnel assigned to the United States Army's 24th Infantry Division engaged the North Korean People's Army on July 5, 1950, just 10 short days after the initial invasion; and

WHEREAS, The men and women of the California National Guard, the United States Army, the United States Marine Corps, the United States Navy, the United States Air Force, and the United States Coast Guard fought with valor, gallantry, and distinction to rebuff and repel the North Korean invaders and their allies from the People's Republic of China; and

WHEREAS, The men and women of the United States Armed Forces and the South Korean Armed Forces were joined in fierce combat by many allied nations under the banner of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization; and

WHEREAS, Thirty-three thousand six hundred eighty-six members of the United States Armed Forces died in battle during the 36 months the war raged, another 8,176 were declared missing in action, and thousands more were wounded by enemy fire, and some 2,611 Californians died in the fierce fighting that was the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, June 25, 2013, will mark the 60th anniversary of the beginning of the Korean War and it is vital to recognize this war and these warriors who stopped the spread of communist aggression and communism into South Korea; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That June 25, 2013, and every June 25th thereafter, shall be known in the State of California, its counties, and its cities as United States Korean War Veterans Day in formal recognition by this state of the

patriotism, valor, fidelity, and sacrifices of the members of the California National Guard, the United States Army, the United States Marines, the United States Navy, the United States Coast Guard, and federal and state reserve personnel; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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